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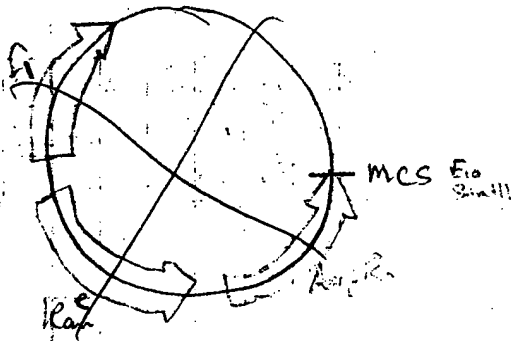
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Cloning of a bacterial vector to generate use for secreted protein screening.

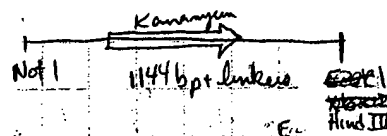
Strategy

1) PCR 2 distinct fragments from the original vector, which when ligated will give the desired vector

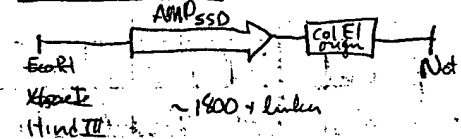
Fragment 1 will contain the kanamycin resistance gene and the first part of the gene.
Fragment 2 will contain the amp gene (w/o SS) and the ColEI origin.



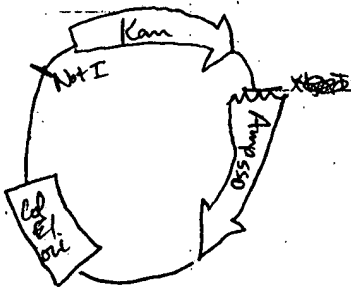
Fragment 1



Fragment 2



2) Once Ligate the two fragments to generate:



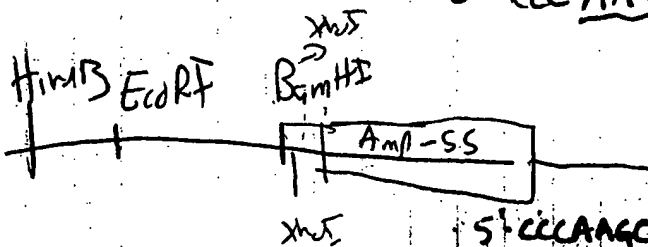
Now clone an ^{drop} from that introduces ^{shot sites} ~~EcoRI, XbaI, SpeI~~ sites into the HindIII site. Clone the ~~XbaI, XbaI~~

Kana 5' primer

5'-CCC ~~AGCT~~ TCA GGG CGCA A GGG CTGC -3'

Kana 3' primer

5'-CCC AA GCTT ACTCTT CCTTTT CAA TTC AG



Size: 1162 bp

Amp 5' primer

5'-CCCAAGCTT GATTC ~~CA~~ CACCCAGAAACGC TGG TG

Amp 3' primer

5'-CCC AAGCTT ATGTGA GCAAAA GGCC AGC -3'

Size - 1642 bp

5' - Seq Primer

5'-CCTTCTATCGCTTCTTG-3'

5'-CGCCGCTCCC GATTTC GCA GCGC

tal 182 gN

used 5 μ l of this to 100 μ l "old" comp cells and plated the entire amount onto 2 plates that JMP + I made. I got 0/1 colony total and grew this up. cells are shown above.

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PPT 9P2AAAP A000A0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000

'E- JPA JAP AAAADP ADT TTA TTJPA JJJ

gd SPd - gnd

PAPPARY-Inw clare
 do digest of PPARRY-Inw
 give inment PCRII-TOPO
 P. 1 Bgl II digest of pmt
 PCRII-TOPO

Either. Bgl II did not cut
or there is no Bgl II site
as the sequence says.

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Prepare to PCR fragments for use in cloning the bacterial secretion screen vector.

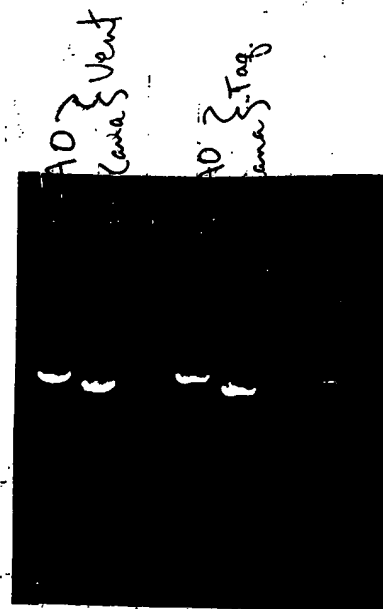
Set up the following Rxn's.

Pfu
 10 μ l Pfu Buffer
 4 μ l dNTP's
 1 μ l template (100 ng)
 5 μ l primer mix (50 ng/ μ l each)
 1 μ l Pfu Turbo
 79 μ l water
 100 μ l total.

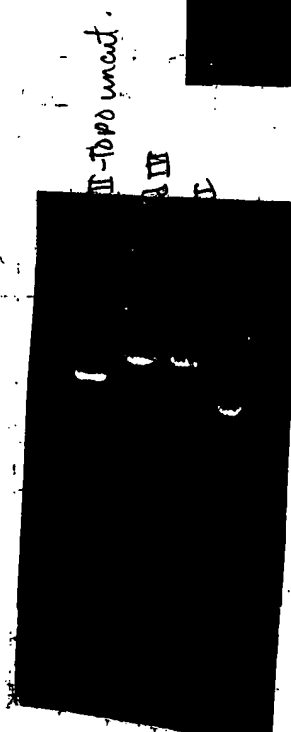
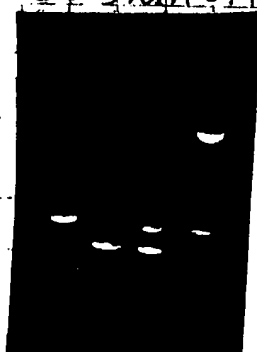
Tag

Tag
 2.5 μ l Tag Buffer
 0.8 μ l $MgCl_2$
 0.2 μ l template
 1 μ l primer mix
 0.25 μ l Tag
 1 μ l dNTP's
 19.25 μ l water
 25 μ l total

Rxn 1: - AD - Pfu.
 2: Kan - Pfu.
 3: + Cont - Pfu.
 4: AD - Tag
 5: Kan - Tag.
 6: + Cont - Tag.



PCR cleaned the AD-Vent, Kan-Vent, and a Mix of the Tag Fragments. Eluted to 50 μ l EB. I digested 25 μ l of each eluate by adding 6 μ l React II, 2 μ l Hind III and 2 μ l Xba I. 3 to 1 hr. Also did test digestions to ensure that the enzymes worked. That is shown to the right. PCR cleaned the 3 rxn's. Ran 2 μ l of each out on a gel.



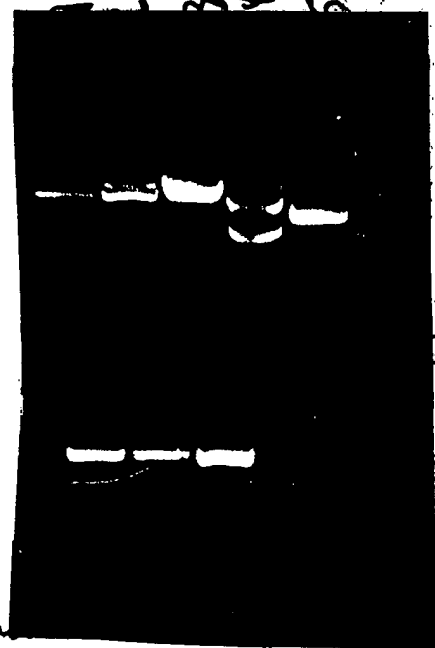
TA clone the Vent fragments in the following reactions.

2.

	AO-Vent- PCR A-tagged	Kana-Vent- PCR A-tagged	(P) Control	- Control
Van Buffer	5 μ l	5 μ l	5 μ l	5 μ l
DNA	1 μ l	1 μ l	2 μ l (Control insert)	0 μ l
M-T-Easy	1 μ l	1 μ l	1 μ l	1 μ l
DNA Ligase	1 μ l	1 μ l	1 μ l	1 μ l
Water	2 μ l	2 μ l	1 μ l	3 μ l
	10 μ l	10 μ l	10 μ l	10 μ l

Plated all 10 ligations + pCRII + EB3 in ^{pCR2.1}pCRII to different plates.

	Amp	Kana	Kana+Amp	Hemk Kana
Vent - lig	—	0	0	—
Vent + lig	—	1	0	—
Tag - lig	—	0	0	—
Tag + lig	—	0	0	—
SIDTP - lig	2	—	—	—
SIDTP + lig	~350	—	—	—
TA-AO	~300	—	—	—
TA-Kana	~500	—	—	—
TA+cont	~300	—	—	—
TA-cont	~40	—	—	—
pCRII xform	lawn of colonies	~200	~60	~35
EB3	lawn of colonies	~300	~250	~60
pCRII glycerol	—	lawn of colonies	lawn of colonies	—



Picked 5 colonies from the TA-Kana-fragment plate and plated. Grew the AO's in LB+Amp and grew the Kana-clones in LB+Kana. Only 3 of the LB+Kana's grew. All five of the AO's grew. I miniprep'd these and digested them w/ Hind III. All 42 appeared to be correct for the AO and all three clones of the Kana fragment K1, K2, K3 were correct. I cut out the bands, cleaned them, and setup ligations w/ them.

Did an $EcoRI$, $BamHI$ digestion of $pCRII$ to make a vector in which to clone my $XcmI$ digests so as to convert $pCRII$ to a "homemade" TA cloning vector.

~~$BamHI$ linear~~
 $pCRII$
 $BamHI$ dig

$EcoRI$ dig

Eco/Bam dig



Either ^① $EcoRI$ did not cut or ^② there is no $EcoRI$ site in my clone.

Hypothesis 2 is consistent with the digest I did on 7/24 where I did an Eco/Bgl double digestion and concluded the Bgl did not work or its site was missing.

I need to sequence through the MCS of my clone to see what I got in the MCS.

apping the new construct w/ Rsa I.

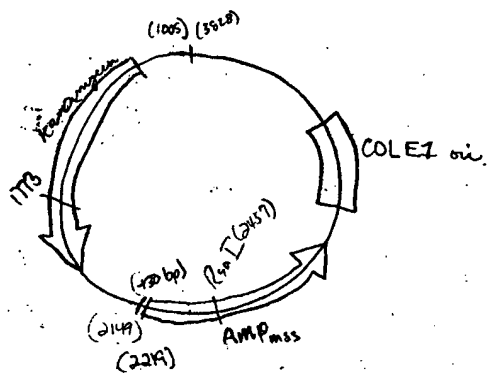
Rsa I digests the parent plasmid @ 285 bp, 1773 bp, 2457 bp.
This yields fragments of 684, 1488 bp, & 1728 bp.

My new clone will include bases 1005-2149,
2219-3828.

There are 2 Rsa Sites in my new clone.

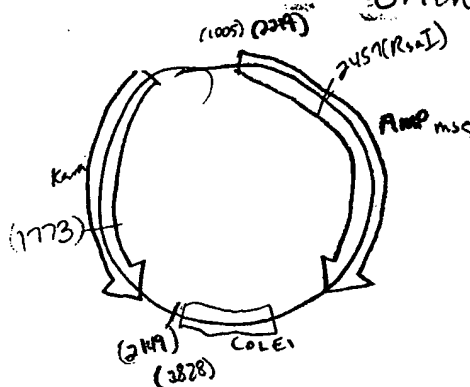
2 possible clones (orientations)

Orientation 1



Rsa I yields 644 bp & 2140 bp.

Orientation 2.



Rsa I yields 1030 bp & 1747 bp.

~~Set~~ Setup the following ligation using the generated fragments:

	K1	K2	K3	A's	K's
2x Ligase Buffer	5	5	5	5	5
T4 Ligase	1	1	1	1	1
frag K1	1.0	0	0	0	0.33 0.33
frag K2	0	1.0	0	0	0.33
frag K3	0	0	1.0	0	0.33
frag E A1	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	0
frag A2	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	0
water	2.5	2.5	2.5	3	3
	10	10	10	10	10

Ligated @ RT for 1 hr.

X⁻formed 20ul ONE SHOT'S from Herk Lab + 5ul of each ligation
5 min, - 1 min, 2 min, 40 min

Plated half of each tube to LB + Kana; and LB + Kana + Amp plates.
Colony counts are shown below:

	LB + Kana	LB + K + Amp
K1	13	○
K2	10	1
K3	32	○
A's	0	○
K's	0	○

Picked 12 colonies from the K3 plate and grew up in LB + Kan.

Miniprep

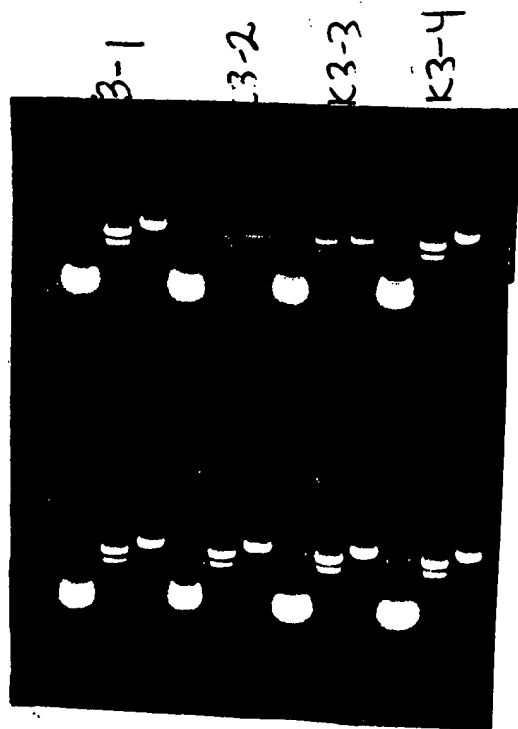
Did Hind III and

Rsa I digests

	K1	K2	K3	K5	K1
LB + Kan	10	10	10	10	10
Miniprep	0.03	0	0	0	0
Did Hind III	0.03	0	0	0	0
and	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Rsa I digests	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
	3	3	3	3	3
	10	10	10	10	10

1 of 12 @ K3

from 12 colonies picked from K3 plate and grew up in LB + Kan. and did Hind III and Rsa I digests. 12 colonies picked from K3 plate and grew up in LB + Kan. and did Hind III and Rsa I digests.



K3-1,4,5,6,7,8 are correct in orientation 1.

K3-2,3 are correct and in orientation 2.

I will grow up K3-1-4 and miniprep these.

Student's Name

Subject

Date

Instructor's Name

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K3-1 UC
BamH
EcoRI

K3-2 UC
Bam
Eco.

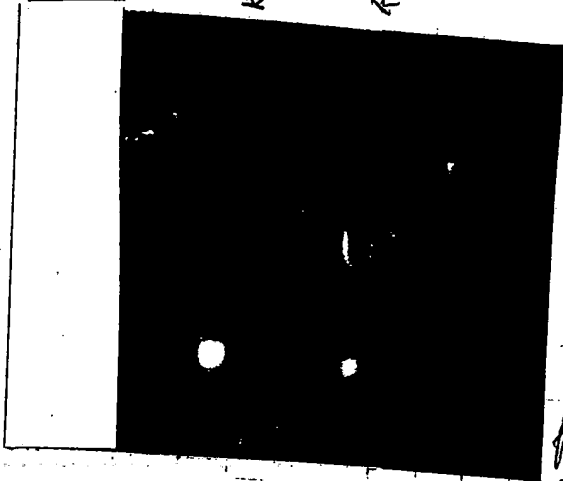
K3-3

K3-4

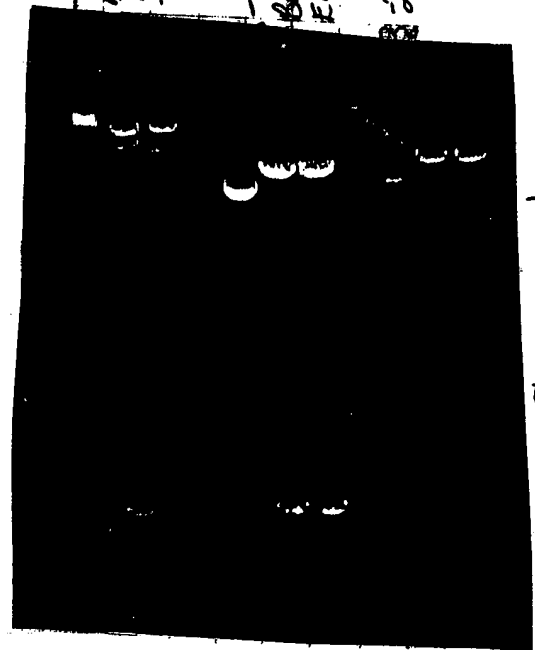
Unad
Bam
Eco.

mid prep
BamH
EcoRI

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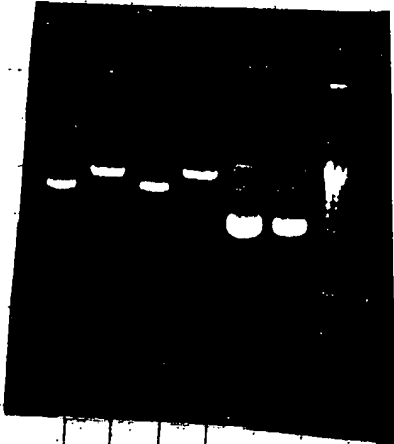


These
look
screamed
up and
different
from the
previous dig
So I will
do the midpreps
and repeat the
digestions



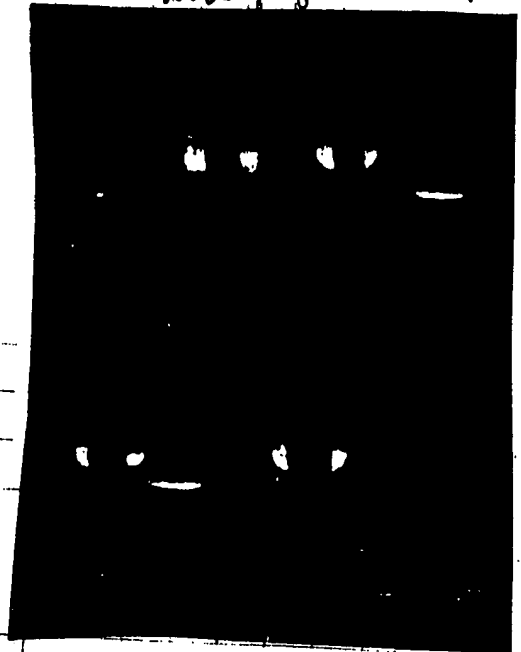
These
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as to
the E.
and
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are a
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the
correct
size

LEP2-Invariant
LEP2-Invariant BamHI



H1
p2,
PPA126
do

K3-1 to 4 dig w/ EcoRI Bam
and fragments cut from gel.



Ordered primers for In-frame PCR to the amp construct

Ligations to Bacterial Vector

	<u>K</u>	<u>A</u>
	-200	-2000
pCMT	1	0
1-ins-lig	46	① - Pick
3-ins-lig	0	0
3-ins+lig	0	0
1XGD	52	0
1-XGD	44	① - Pick.
3XGD	413	0
3-XGD	17	0
1-T-LPL	60	0
1-V-LPL	~140	④ - Pick. → Pick 10
1-T-Lep	66	①
1-V-Lep	85	0 Pick 10
1-T-PPAR α	49	7
1-V-PPAR α	~60	2 Pick 10
3-T-LPL	0	0
3-V-LPL	0	0
3-T-Lep2	1	0
3-V-Lep2	1	① - Pick.
3-T-PPAR α	0	41
3-V-PPAR α	1	16

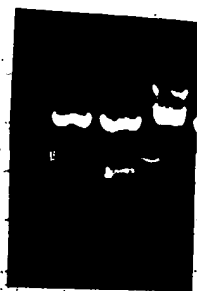
Screen 4 gene specific and one ^{vector specific} non-specific
Kana 5' + gene 3'

Controls Kana 5' + Kana 3'

2.5 ml PCR Buffer
0.8 M MgCl₂
1 ml dNTP's
1 ml primers
0.25 ml Tag.
19.5 ml water
25 ml

Picked colonies to LB + Kana. All the clones from the Kana plates grew but only the 1-T-Lep and the 1-XGD colonies from the amp plates grew.

Minipreped these and digested w/ Eco/Bam



Both clones contain inserts and these were sequenced in the UTSW lab.

Leptin fragment is exactly as I cloned it. So it appears good.
 The XGD fragment contains one ORF in frame w/ the β -lactamase gene.
 It codes for the following peptide.

Encoded by XGD insert:

MGKIILLNTFLTLEWGSHPETLVKVKDAEDQLGA
 Amp

euk network

Is the sequence a signal peptide?

Measure	Position	Value	Cutoff	Conclusion
max. C	21	0.325	0.37	NO
max. Y	21	0.474	0.34	YES
max. S	13	0.934	0.88	YES
mean S	1-20	0.752	0.48	YES

Most likely cleavage site between pos. 20 and 21: SHP-ET

is this does potentially encode a secreted peptide.

then did PCR again and TA cloned the fragments of LPL, PPAR δ , & Lep.
 as were then cut out and gelcleaned.



Vector
 Sizes
 and
 wrong
 But
 I proceeded
 anyway

